

SNARS COVID-19 FUN STUFF

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Formerly SNARS Coronavirus Bored as Hell Antidote!

PRODUCT REVIEW: QRP TUNERS - There are several really good external qrp tuners in the marketplace. Both manual and automatic models. One such model I like that has been around for years is the "EMTECH ZM-2 ATU".

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eOEvhLIL7U> You can buy it built or as a kit. <https://steadynet.com/emtech/>

Handles 15 watts, simple to use, quality construction and works with a variety of antennas. It will work with coax and 300 ohm / 450 ohm ladder line. I use it with some of my qrp rigs. Great for backpacking and portable use.....



RADIO HISTORY: CQ MAGAZINE - Part of our amateur radio history !

https://www.cq-amateur-radio.com/cq_about.html CQ Magazine has always been very involved in contesting. Here is a very good story about the history of contesting.

<https://www.cqww.com/history.htm>

CQ Magazine has been published since 1945. Its apparent ... Its no secret that **CQ Magazine** is having delivery problems. ... About six years ago, we **started** realizing that there were financial problems with the **magazine**. We need to support one of the independent voices of our hobby !



HOW TO: BUILD A BUGOUT BAG - Do I want one or need one ?

The last few years the " Prepper Marketplace " has taken off with all sorts of options for licensed amateur radio operators. Companies like "Portable Zero"

has accessories to put your kit together.

<https://portablezero.com/yaesu817.html>

DX Engineering has several ready made kits

<https://www.dxengineering.com/parts/dxe-gokit-1>

Go kit check list . <https://ema.arrl.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/03/Go-Kit-Checklist.pdf>

Here is a great site for for portable operation ideas for go kits:

<http://www.harc.net/programs/amateur-radio-go-kit.pdf>

You can build your own kits in back packs, Pelican type cases, ammo type boxes even suitcases!



There are many companies that supply power systems, antennas, containers for your equipment. You can go simple with 2 meter handhelds or HF radios all the way to satellite communications.... It depends on your pocketbook and needs.

This next site can help you decide.

<https://www.bugoutbagbuilder.com/learning-tutorials/bug-out-communications>

When things get back to normal maybe we can do a presentation at the breakfast meeting ?

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